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Optic Network

RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION DATED 1 MARCH 2007

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This communication is responsive to the Official Action dated 1 March 2007 (the "Action"), for which a three-month shortened statutory period for response is set for 1 June 2007. With a two-month extension of time, this response is timely filed on or before 1 August 2007.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

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